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# THE SUBMISSION



# A QUIET REVOLUTION

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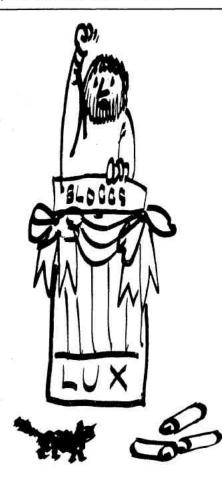
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The ANU attempts Student Power. After months of preparation a submission is ready to be presented to University Council. The submission, though seemingly a dry legal document at first glance, is good. It is a step in the right direction. Woroni recommends it be read (pages 8 and 9).

One question, however, looms large in the mind. Do the majority of students at this university care? The only way to find out is to see what the University Council does with the submission. If they throw it out and the students do nothing then the answer is obvious. Hopefully students will have more initiative. If University Council acts on the submission, then it is imperative that students also act. Participate!

The Presidential elections this week are even more farcial then last week's SRC elections. One candidate is virtually a noncandidate and the other only stepped in because he felt there was no alternative. Still, no one worries about student politics anyway. Only 21% voted in the SRC elections.



On the S.R.C. Hustings

it's about time communications went beyond the letter stage

# on chastity

Dear Sir,

Politically chaste as I am, I am nevertheless irreconsilably confounded by the incomprehensible enlightenment dispensed by such august embodi ments of student zeal and expression, as are my enviable good fortune to encounter on this campus.

The source of my unwilling perplexment lies within the indiscernable orientation of all our political groups. Stage one of this orientation lies within the eager grasp of a newcomer such as myself, namely the organisation of a spontaneous transformation of contemporary bourgeois values into something indescribably finer and more nobel than that which has ever existed. This part has the unswerving loyalty and devotion of myself and my 30c a year subscription fee.

Stage two of our magnificent, transglobal popular reorientation is regretably, somewhat less clear. Our student leaders, gifted with boardless experience and undeniable clarity of thought and word have tragically been unable to make clear to my ardent reforming spirit, what happens next. After we've trium-

phed peacefully over big business, the army, the establishment, Mr Nixon, the Pope, the Country Party and the folks back home and intellectually liberated the down trodden masses of the world, what happens? Do we not have another 'system', new hatreds and repressions. I hope not.

Please suppress the deviationist, reactionary rumblings of my troubled soul with all fear-allaying explanations and wise utterences.

A.S. Robinson

# feeble farce?

Dear Sir,

On 22nd May a strange event took place. As arranged by the Sports Union, the newly formed Economics Society fielded a Tennis Team to take on the Law Society. The ground organiastion managed to field 3 players - resulting in a feeble farcial forfeit.

I'd suggest that unless appropriate publicity was given to such events by the Sports Union, an obvious method

team then that faculty or society has contacted its members and organised a team.

The Sports Union cannot mother each team member personally and must rely on the society or societies for some degree of organisation in this regard.

Unfortunately, many people these days accept their obligations rather lightly with the result that teams do not turn up.

It is doubtful that any further publicity on a campus level will increase participation. In fact, the Interfaculty sport competition has already been publicised on notice-boards and by letters to the various societies. It would not be feasible to rely on Woroni for details of a definite nature because this paper is only published fortnightly whereas arrangements have often to be made in a short time.

There are many persons such as Mr Elek who continually criticise the Sports Union but are reluctant to offer any sort of assistance. It is suggested that if these people con-tributed more positively then Sports Council members could use their time more profitably and all sport within the University would run more efficiently.

> Mervyn Aston Honorary Secretary Sports Union.

## not only also but

#### Dear Sirs,

I am inspired to make some comments on one of the broadsheets floating around the campus at present -Liberator, April 10, 1969. It's editor, J. Freelove stated that the views of the author (M. Colloys, Club President), don't necessarily represent those of the club.

That is a great relief. I'm concerned with two problems. First, the apparent contradiction in Colloy's argument between his views of what a liberal is or should be, and his assessment of the majority of today's society. He attacks all forms of censorship and argues that a liberal must fight for the dignity of the individual. He doesn't explicitly define what people should think, say or read, or the term "dignity." (However, we

# hendy wake up Dear Sir,

WORONI, Wednesday, 7th May, 1969

Why bother with a sit-in at the Civic Hotel? A good stir but who wants to go to that dingy, old-fashioned, rough Civic Pub anyway? - not many students, male, female or other-Why doesn't the Civic wake up to itself? Its in the centre of one of Australia's great opportunity spots with 3,000 students in walking dist-Although many of us are ance. wheel-less we all have a good pair of legs, and if the Civic was a really swinging place, that's where we'd walk. The "impoverished student" concept is old-hat and only belongs to a minority; the 'week-end drinkee concept is a more realistic one. ANU is crying out for a campus pub, but they shed tears for the 'yukky ole Civic'. We'd rather hitch out to the suburbs than drink at that city drag. How about it Mr Hendy!

Phineas Turner

# visit scenic anu

Dear Sir,

After having conducted a carefully documented survey, I believe I have come up with a money making proposition, which promises to reduce fees to a bare minimum (i.e. zero) and may even cut the A.N.U. free from the fiscal ties of politics.

Feeling that all side shows should be on a commercial basis, I recommend that toll gates should be set up at all entrances to the campus to relieve the tourists of a sizable sum for the privilege of visiting one of the last habitats of the supposedly uncorrupted youth of this country. In this unsullied (no pun on the creek) wilder-ness, with its quaint buildings and even quainter looking inhabitants, these visitors can see the raw life they read and see (on T.V.) everyday of their drab lives. Such a scenic example of the exciting higher things in life is well worth the brass, even to the most underpaid politician of which this country abounds.

Perhaps the SRC could take this matter up, since the benefits are obvious to all.

#### John Gorter

P.S. for a few bob more, even a

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Sports Editor: Advertising Manager: Circulation Manager:	Sheri Howells Pat Sinclair phone 815252 Bernard Wright Boo Colmerce Marrie Law Misicht	being via the student newspaper, the whole concept of Inter-Faculty Sport will result in a pathetic/apathetic collapse.	are assisted by his references to the majority as "an amorphous blob of I don't give a damn"). Colloy's has no regard for the freedom and dignity of the great majority. Concepts such	weekly demonstration could be prov- ided, complete with ready to be phot- ographed Feds beating up poor defen- celess students (at a slight charge of
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faculty competition within the Univ-The Committee has spent ersity. many hours contacting the various faculty societies but have been continually hampered by the rather lackadaisical attitude and the extremely unreliable nature of students in these societies. One might assume that if a faculty commits itself to enter a

George Westbrooke

day's society are becoming rare and

insignificant beings. Which leads me to my final point. Not only is liberal-

ism itself, when properly stated, an

irrelivant philosophy, but its rare

exponants are incapable of stating

it properly.

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# ANOTHER GREAT UNION A.G.M.

There is really no point in wasting space in Woroni on the Union meeting: a description would be more boring than the meeting itself.

But lest people accuse Woroni of not PR-ing for the Union, we will devote an inch or two to it.

As usual with Union General Meetings, the quorum lapsed before the end of the meeting with only seven people left at the end.

The financial statements, annual reports and other documents were tabled to the delight of all present. No-one knew enough about them to criticise them anyway. A motion was then put that future Union dinners be abandoned unless the people who go to them pay for their meal. This was based on last year's dinner where hardly any students were present but a lot of professors, administrators etc got free meals at the students' expense.

In defence the Union Board members argued that it was a good place for

lobbying and that all the good people high up had to be thanked for their services to students.

It was generally agreed that Union dinners needn't be abandoned if a way was found to make them attractive to students.

So several amendments, forshadowed motions and other things were moved and by the time it had all been sorted out there were not enough people left to take a vote. So it was adjourned till the next meeting . . . .

. . . . which will be just as exciting, so don't miss it.



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STUDENT CONCESSIONS! The SRC has for some time been negotiating with David Jones Limited for student concessions on limited items sold at their Canberra store, similar to the concessions offered to students at Sydney universities. In November a letter was received saying that the whole matter was under discussion by the Board of Directors, but no word of the result was heard. A request for information received the reply that nothing of these negotiations could be found on the files, but after further querying a reply was received saying curtly: "...it was decided that we would not be able to make such concessions, and in view of this ... there would be no point in having further negotiations...." (It appears that the Board had discussed the matter without the knowledge of the Managing Director's Secretary.) The nett result - NO STUDENT CONCESSIONS!

#### PSYCHO-ANALYSIS OF STUDENT PROTESTS.

# NUAUS COMMITTEE DOES IT AGAIN

The Annual Conference of local Papua-New Guinea Officers was held in Sydney on the weekend before last. Representatives from each university were there to discuss the NUAUS student schemes there which are held each summer vacation.

#### Each university that is, except A.N.U....

Is it not a little presumptious for the SRC to suppose that no students from the ANU are interested in doing volunteer work in New Guinea at the end of the year?

What is more, ANU did not even bother to send a reason or inform NUAUS why there was no ANU representative there.

Those self-righteous SRC members who say that NUAUS does nothing of benefit to ANU students had better look in their own back-yards.

A few weeks ago, the same happened with the National Conference on

NUAUS travel schemes. There was NO A.N.U. representative. Is there no-one at the ANU interested in the travel schemes or is it just the SRC that isn't interested?

AND ....

The full-time secretary of the Pangu Party, which is the Territory's most significant political grouping, Albert Maori Kiki, is in Australia for a short visit.

NUAUS's Papua-New Guinea department wrote and sent telegrams to the ANU SRC, saying that Maori Kiki was available to speak in Canberra en route from Sydney to Melbourne.

At least three telegrams and letters were sent to the ANU by the NUAUS organisers of the speaking tour but the NUAUS secretary at ANU did not reply and the President then apparently said we didn't want him.

This was more than two weeks ago.

Now Mr Kiki's schedule has been fixed and ANU left out, deprived of hearing one of the top political leaders from the Territory. The cost to this university would have been minimal as he would be stopping off on the way to Melbourne.

nother coup for the SRC in its relations with the National Union! Can WORONI have an explanation from the SRC for this stupidity? Immature teachers were blamed recently by Australian psychologist Dr Ainslie Meares for the growth of student anti-social behaviour. Speaking in Melbourne, he said: "Universities make their appointments according to academic record, and pay little attention to a candidate's personal effect on the students. One way to help stability among students is for the university to have as lecturers people with stable well-integrated personalities with whom students can identify themselves. We don't want to stop students protesting or expressing their idealistic ideas but we want them to do it in an acceptable way. What the students need is some stable person teaching him, whom he feels he wants to be like.

Well, boys and girls, there's your answer. What you all have is a deeply buried freudian desire for a father image! (Try calling your lecturer daddy.)

**KEEPING IN TOUCH WITH THE SRC ELECTIONS** 

At least half a dozen avid voters in the recent SRC elections stated that they had voted informal on the ballot for President because they didn't like the choice. No wonder they didn't like it, because there wasn't one; all the candidates having withdrawn. The big question is, however, how do you vote informal on a non-existent ballot paper?

THE SRC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING is to be held in the Union on Tuesday, 13th May, (next Tuesday) at 8 pm. It appears that there are some vacant positions on the SRC to be filled, so if you still have aspirations of achieving fame and fortune through student politics, come along. Support of a few friends would be helpful, but probably not essential.

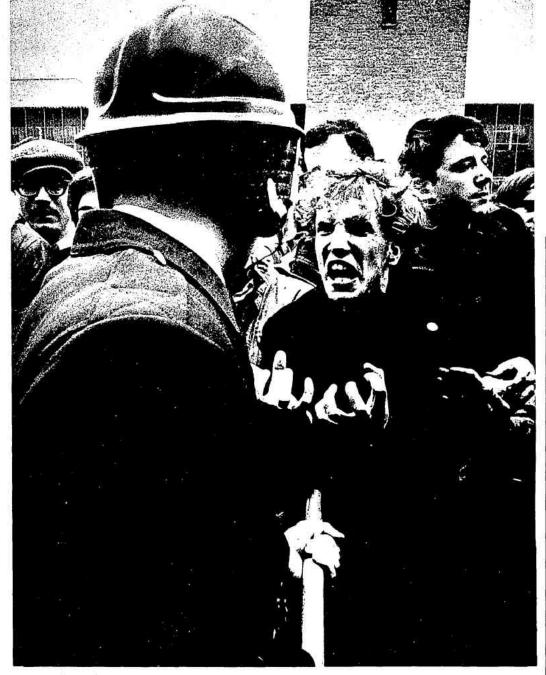
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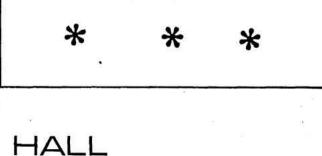
WHO THE HELL IS LYNDAL SCOTT? (Ask a Science Student)

THE SRC CULTURAL COMMITTEE is requesting the SRC to impose a \$2 DEVELOPMENT FEE on all members, and the matter is at present being considered by the SRC Executive. If you have any comment to make on this proposal, write to PAYERS' VOICE at the WORONI office.

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THE SITE PLANNER IS TO BE INVITED TO ADDRESS STUDENTS ON THE FUTURE OF THE ANU CAMPUS AT 1 pm on the last Wednesday of term in the Union.





We are short of news and news photographs this issue, so here is a classic demo picy taken in America.

# MEETING

FEE RISE

Two weeks ago the SRC and the JCRC's of the three Halls of Residence met to discuss the proposed fee rise for Halls. The proposed fee is set at \$630 per year for 1970, but it could be more if the Vice-Chancellor cannot get an increased Hall subsidy from the A.U.C. He feels there is a good chance of having the subsidy increased to the level of the Residential Colleges. However this would just keep the fees at \$630. We will not know if this proposal is successful until the A.U.C. presents its budget to Parliament about August.

The meeting at Burton outlined two ways which could reduce fees to below \$630. The first was to present the A.U.C. with a special case for reduced fees at the A.N.U. based on such considerations as the high cost housing in Canberra etc. The SRC executive took this action last October. However it felt that there was only a slight chance that their submission's proposals would be accepted, although they have continued to send letters to the A.U.C.

The meeting was far more optimistic about the second proposal. By July

the Hall Wardens have to produce budgets of the running costs of the Halls, which go to the Hall Governing bodies and then to the Vice-Chancellor. He has stated that he will not direct the Wardens in any way. The present budget allows for fees of \$630 but the JCRC's intend to approach their wardens (separately) to look at areas where costs could be cut by reducing some services in the halls. Hopefully this could mean graduated fees for the three Halls.

Another meeting to discuss the situation will be held.

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#### UNHAPPY ANNIVERSARY

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1969 marks the 10th anniversary of the passing of the Extension of the Universities Act which deprived the open universities of the right to decide who shall be taught.

In 1959 there were massive world wide protests held against the closing of the universities. This year all the English language universities will hold commemorative protests to remind this generation of students of the freedom lost and to show people that the universities are still opposed to the restrictions on their freedom. The biggest protest is planned for the University of Witwatersrand and it seems the Vice Chancellor will be co-operating with students. Other protests are planned for the Universities of Cape Town, Natal (Durban), Natal (Pietermarizberg) and Rhodes Univer-sity. sity.

#### THIRD WORLD FIRST

Oxford has recently seen a movement begin and grow until it has over 1000 members. It's slogan is 'Third World First' and it is known as 3W1.

The group is raising money which is distributed by Oxfam and World University Service. At the same time they are claiming that Britain should provide massive aid to the Third World.

Six students, working from a small flat in Oxford have invited other students to join them in a covenant to give 3, 2 or 1% of their gross earnings to relief and/or development in the Third World. A THOUSAND HAVE RESPONDED AND THE MOVEMENT IS ONLY JUST BEGIN-

The member of 3W1 states that he wishes to contribute to direct relief in distressed areas, on education (WUS activities) or birth control or health administration and research on agricultural development. It is stressed that donors can withdraw from this scheme at any stage. The organizers plan to raise the number of Oxford members to 3000 and go to other unis in Britain. The aim is 30,000 student members and already there are non-student members.

WORLD UNIVERSITY SERVICE in Australia will launch a 3W1 pro-gramme soon. The scheme will be discussed at a national meeting in Melbourne this month. Here is a way to make one's giving systematic, to channel it through an unimpeachable organization, and to do something which will not only help the Third World but modify public opinion about Australia's responsibility. Those who are joining 3W1 are showing that they reject mere respectability and recognize their neighbour. WUS wel-comes suggestions on this project. Leave a note in the SRC office if you've got any comments or want to help.

#### INTERNATIONAL BRIEFS

World University Service's activities in recent months have included the organization of a workshop in Hungary, the presentation of pharmaceuticals to the University of Khartoum in the Sudan and the institution of a workshop in Bandung.



Perhaps a trifle modest for the V.C.'s office.

The Science Society had a real swinging turn at the Staff Club last Friday. Everyone went home with at least one claret stain and pink lips.

Subjects like "A fair year B.Sc?" "Wyndham Scheme Science?" "The role of the College of Advanced Education in Science education" were bandied around together with some good belly laughs and "haven't I seen you somewhere before "conversations

Maybe the Science Soc. could run another after the first Semester or run a survey on some questions that may have been heard above the din.

fidence in Australian apathy and susceptibility to its own banal and simp-lified slogans. At any rate, the total naivete of Australian foreign policy the fact that the Government could win an election in 1966 on the platform that in its Vietnam committment Australia was halting the march of Chinese communist influence and force in Asia, shows that it has not allowed itself to be influenced by dissent.

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A rally against the National Service Act is planned for Friday, 9th

The case against conscription will be argued by prominent speakers

there. What is more important in the conception of this rally is that

the Government must be forced to acknowledge dissent in this community. There have been recent signs that the Government has

been moving further away from this fundamental democratic

function. This can be demonstrated both by contrast with the role of public dissent in affecting policy modification in the United States administration and secondly by examples of the Governments disregard for a significant body of dissent in Australia.

May, in Garema Place at 7.30p.m.

In America, it has been widely ad-

mitted, pressure and dissent from a significant part of the public has

forced the partial de-escalation of the

war, and measures to reduce the draft.

But not in Australia. Recently, the

Government blandly asserted that conscription would continue even

In doing this, it has stated conscript-

ion as a definite principle of its policy, in plain disregard of the

voiced opposition of many sections

of the population including all the major churches. The Government's disrespect for public opinion was shown lately in its refusal to provide

even rudimentary information for the

Parliament on planned United States

All of this points to the fact that in

important areas of policy, the Aust-ralian Government feels that it can

ignore dissent. Perhaps its judgement in this matter is based upon a con-

after the Vietnam War.

installation at Woomera.

When a government ignors dissent, it ceases to be responsive to many sections of the nation; when a government ignors dissent in the year of an election, it shows its confidence that that dissent is as ineffective as it is worthless. Because 1969 is an election year, it is important that we attempt to influence public opinion and the policies of politicians who are standing for election. We must make our dissent effective by communicating it to others of the public,

thereby force the government to recognise it. In this rally we will give a new impetus to the dissent, for what is at issue here is not merely profound dissatisfaction with conscription and Australian participation in the Vietnam war, but the issue of the democratic process of dissent. If dissent fails to infiltrate the system then the government is unchecked in its disposal of human lives, and wanton diversion of our resourses, financial, human and national to a process of destruction.

At the moment the government is helping to ravage Vietnam and to kill 20 year olds, who are, to repeat a familiar argument, voteless and thus without representation. What shall it be said they died for? The primitive cold war slogans of the Liberal Party and the Government provide no answer. Instead, they show their intransigence and contempt in the face of dissent.

The recent forums held in Garema Place have succeeded in extending dissent on these vital questions. A rally supported by the students of ANU will make an impression on the public and on the Government. With your support at this rally we will register and further our dissent; we may well compel the modification of conscription and Vietnam policy at the coming election.

Simon Cowen Mark Finnane



There is something about teachers that I just can't put my finger on. They seem unreal to many secondary students who appear surprised when they meet them in the street. Let's face it, these days you have to be a nut to teach.

But there are those who take on the teaching game for many different reasons, including love for God, King and Country, or more often, because they are bonded to that ogre of an Education Department.

There are moves at the moment to hold classes for secondary school students at this university. If you are going to be a teacher or thinking of it, here's your opportunity. What is needed of you is one evening per week to tutor a group of High School students on a syllabus course. English, Maths, History, Science, Geography and Languages. The classes will be small and present a perfect opportunity for you to revise your first principles.

Names and subjects are needed, and if you are willing to volunteer leave your name in the SRC Office before the end of term together with the subject and evening available.

The classes will be aimed at underpriviledged students in the ACT in the fifth and final years of High Schools. And because they tax your time, will not be extended after second term, unless requested. Nothing may come of it - more's the pity.

# & IRIA Anonymous Appeal

Indonesia

Why are there no protests on the Indon- Why don't our politicians say NO to The Prime Minister? esian war against New Guinea.

Does every citizen of Australia want New It would be so easy. Some may be frightened, others not game. They must follow public opinion, not make it. That is if they want to be re-elected. What a pity, for us. Why? Its just like Hitler again. Beats me. Do we want another Vietnam in New Guinea? Or North Australia? No. How can we stop Indonesia? Change public opinion. How? Beats me. I don't want them there, or here. Do you? So what? Protest. How? Write to your Federal Parliamentarian.

The Leader of the Opposition? All of them? The right thing Not the papers, Get out We all read them, what do they say? Report the news, factually. So easy Strictly neutral. No comment, one way or another. Australian. Then our Papers Strictly neutral. **Our** Pulpits Here we go round the mulberry bush. **Our** Politicians President Suharto says, The Indonesians are such friendly people. Must not offend them. We might even Must understand their culture. Their aspirations. Their electoral system. treason, ours. President Suharto says West New Guinea would commit treason by attempting to For we are silent vote against the aims and achievements of the Indonesian people. The West Papuan Freedom Movement country. says that is unfair.

Our papers are strictly neutral. Our Government does not say Or Australia will kick you out. To burst the Indonesian bubble. Keep the Island of New Guinea pro-A shield for our northern shore. Might tell us how fortunate we have been To escape from Indonesia. Become untwitterpated. Until we do, our dumbness condones When we should say Go, you should not be in another's

Guinea added to the Javanese Empire? We can be sure the majority of us do not. How can we stop Javanese Imperialism? If you are a citizen of New Guinea, organise protests. You will find that difficult to do, because, Australians have been twitterpated on Communism so they automatically say, Yes, but what about Communism? You see, they have been brainwashed. Never thought it could happen. Never thought about it at all, really. What the hell has adding West New Guinea to the Javanese Empire got to do with fighting Communism? Why do people want to give North Australia above the 19th Parallel to Indonesia? To fight Communism? They do. It will. North Australia will be next after East Irian.

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# THREE POEMS

### TO A VC CORPSE

You bloated stinking corpse With popping eyes and penis sticking forth I curse your stiffened arms' Refusal to fit neatly In the plastic bag we've got for you.

At last I use my foot And force it into place Then zip the zipper Ah... the air improves at once And I can breathe at last No need to vomit now But look at how he's straining at the bag.

Forgive me friend I would not treat you this way If we met along some village pathway Through the trees Where some poor mother waits in vain for your return.



David Tichborne and the vehicle in which he travelled through much of Vietnam delivering and escorting medical supplies to refugee camps and hospitals.



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by David Tichborne

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### THE WOUNDED SOLDIER

Before, a raging lion, he Rushing into battle Would bring fear to all who faced his charge. Blood, blade on bone, Clashing furious battle roar. He had no feel or merge for the foe.

Now, lying in a pool of blood His face is full of love for those who tend his wounds He whimpers for his mother Fumbling for his missing limbs.

A baby now, sipping from a spoon, Such is the alchemy of war.

# (To a little girl hiding her face which is disfigured by napalm).

Don't hide your face my little sweet, No-longer-pretty little girl. I can remember how you looked before Perhaps my tears will wash away the scars from off your face.

In any case let me see That I may burn it in my mind And tell to all I meet About once-pretty children turned to frankensteins.









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# **UNIVERSITY PERSONALITIES**



# Gordon Briscoe

Gordon Briscoe is at ANU studying Economics after working for fifteen years as a labourer. He is a case in point of the way Australia is treating its Aborigines. Although capable of better things he was discriminated against in employment and education. In his interview with me he talked passionately about the government's policy and the position of the Australian Aborigines.

"The referendum," he said, "had been something that the Aborigines had seen as a fundamental change in attitude; that after the referendum the government was ready to tackle the problem in a businesslike manner with a real feeling for the people involved."

Now three years after, the Aborigines were treated much the same and the Office of Aboriginal Affairs was understaffed, under-financed and ineffective.

Mr Briscoe believes it is the responsibility of the Commonwealth Government to do something about the problems, but that it is shirking its responsibilities. The government, like the people, seems to have little real respect for the Aborigines.

Mr Briscoe said, "In my opinion the Office for Aboriginal Affairs is not for the

Aboriginal people but is to show overseas governments that we do not discriminate against our native people.

One of the areas in which the government has fallen down is its inability to cut through red tape. It is the policy of the Liberal party not to interfere with the States. The Aborigines have been shuffled between State and Commonwealth and between all the different departments. The question of land rights is a prime example of the way the feeling of optimism after the referendum has been crushed. In South Australia the land was taken from the Aborigines for the use of Aborigines, but no encouragement was given to stay. There was no capital put into the land, and no training facilities provided. However, given the right training and equipment, Mr Briscoe believes that it is possible for Aborigines to change their background as hunters and become agriculturalists. There is just no incentive offered.

It typifies the frustration that many Aborigines feel towards government policy.

Mr Briscoe then broached the topic of 'Black Power', a term misunderstood by many people in Australia. The term should not be associated with the militant 'black power' groups in America but rather should be regarded as a form of trade union. It is a means by which the Aborigines can unite and form a passive group.

However, Mr Briscoe was not optimistic about the future. The problem is ever increasing as the years go on; by ignoring it, the problem will not go away. A sign which indicates little is happening is that the same issues are being discussed now as twenty years ago. The youth will tend to become more militant, as they become more frustrated by the lack of opportunity. If changes are not forthcoming, trouble will occur.



# Prof. Boahen

During first term Professor Boahen came from the University of Ghana to lecture in African History. Professor Boahen has a degree from the University of Ghana and a Ph. D. in African History from the University of London, he has also been engaged in some archaeological research in North-Eastern Africa. understanding of many contemporary problems such as Rhodesia and the Congo. A point which is emphasized in his lectures and which most people do not realise is that even before the European explorers "found" Africa there existed complex civilisations apart from the Egyptians. Architecture and Pottery that has been uncovered by archaeological excava-tions indicate a high degree of sophistica-Professor Boahen feels that the tion. emphasis in Australia which is placed on South-East Asian affairs, culture and history, gives a limited idea of the world as a whole. Trade in the Indian Ocean between Africa and Asia was extensive even in pre-EUROPEAN times. With the advent of the Europeans, African and Asian countries suffered similarly from colonialism, Professor Boahen said that he has found quite a distinct similarity between Nkrumah in his country and Sukarno in Indonesia. As a consequence he would like to see African history, culture and languages, taught in the Universities of Australia. There is opportunity for those interested to travel to Ghana under the Commonwealth University scheme and study there at one of the Universities.

Moving on to the contemporary problems of Africa, Professor Boahen stated that he sees the main cause of instability in the area coming from South Africa and Rhodesia. The African nations are particularly hostile to these countries. It could prove a starting point for some sort of African unity. There seems to be the feeling that Britain should intervene in Rhodesia as it did in Anguilla to root out an unjust government.

In Ghana too, it seems that the Administration has its differences with its students and for much the same sort of reasons, student participation. Recently there was a certain amount of unrest in the University. Student leaders were expelled, leading to more trouble. Professor Boahen assured me, however, the leaders were given every opportunity to clear themselves. As to the adequacy of the University, he replied that Ghana was served by three institutions and compared favourably with Australia on a population basis.

# Anne Stanfield

"I was born in North Carolina and have spent no more than two years in any one place." It sounds like the start of a folk song. This is the way it's been happening for Anne Stanfield. She has been moving all her life in America, in South-East Asia and now Australia, folk-singing, teaching and getting educated. There is a well-developed wandering spirit and a genuine feeling for people. She wants to visit a whole host of countries all at one and yet learn as much about each as

just that for her large record collection ranges from jazz through to classical. When in Thailand she had the opportunity to visit some of the mountain villages and listen to some of their music.

On the topic of Thailand she went into raptures immediately. The people were wonderful, the country is wonderful and she whants to return as soon as she can She went there with the wish to learn as much about Thailand and its people as she could. After making friends quickly she decided to try and learn as much of the Thai language as she could. As soon as she showed some interest in learning about the culture and language people treated her not as the dumb American tourist but as one of them. She told me she has many friends amongst the taxi-drivers outside hotels, who she describes as kind and loyal. After she has finished her degree she wants to return to Thailand and see if she can't do something to help the people.

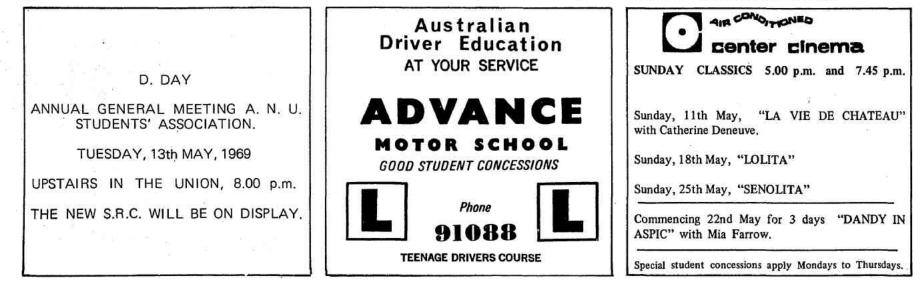


When questioned on America I found her extremely conscious of the fact that she was an American. People, she says, seem to expect her to stand up for her country and all its ideas. However she had reservations about these and wanted to clarify what she thought. She has found that by leaving her country she has discovered more about what other people think of America - something which is lacking in America. She told me half-joking that the only way she would go back to America to live would be as a hippie.

On Australia and life in the ANU she answered that she liked it and felt perfectly at home. She seemed particularly sorry that she had not seen more of Australia, Australian people and wildlife. This will be remedied as soon as possible. She is finding it tough settling in one spot, and thinks with horror at a long three years for a degree. Who wouldn't, though, with opportunities to travel to Ghana, India and who knows where else.

Professor Boahen said that an understanding of African History is relevant to the possible.

As a folksinger she has done professional work in Thailand where her father works as American Seato Attache. Anne says she likes all sorts of music but folk especially, because it is simple and for the people. When she says all sorts she means



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# Presidential Election



## GREGG LANDY

I would regard election as president as a mandate to use my initiative with reference to policies enunciated be-low. I don't want to be elected. However, I do have positive policies and if students want these policies I am prepared to put them into action.

If elected, I will try to make the president's position a full-time, fully paid position, with a year of academic grace. The position of president would otherwise be precarious. In fact, twelve months with presidential authority is too long, in my opinion. I'd probably resign after a few months and hand over to someone else. I will not, under any circumstances be devoting any more than ten hours a week to the position. If I did, I'd be doing my honours degree in. A President needs to put much more than ten hours a week into his job. To get around this, I would ask four or five people to sit on a Presidential Council under my chairmanship. The duties of president would thus be shared among these five and myself, a five-for-one-scheme. I would reserve the right to choose my own presidential council whose members need not necessarily come from the SRC. The Presidential Council would be a time-saving delegation of presidential authority.

SRC meetings as they are traditionally known will go by the board. Held on the fourth floor of the Administra-tion building they are largely irrelevant to most students. They are 90% talk and 10% action. I would change the venue, time and nature of SRC meetings to the Union Terrace, or Library Lawn, perhaps twice weekly at lunchtime and open to all who may be interested to partici-pate; that is they will be SRC-student-staff participatory forums. The full SRC could meet in camera once every six weeks or so, when necessary. I envisage these daily participatory forums to be the SRC's think-tank. The formula is simple; if no one turns up, or no one

volunteers to help, I do nothing. My SRC involves as full a break as possible from the "bureaucracy-approach" SRC. We would not spend hours discussing amendments to the minutes of the last meeting or constitutional regulations. For one thing, no real minutes would be taken at the participatory meetings, main points only being briefly noted. Constitutional regulations will no longer be ends in themselves. To get things done, certain sections of the constitution would have to be bypassed. I won't feel obliged to stick

to the constitution. Such positions as NUAUS secretary, Secretary, Director of Student Publications, Director of Clubs and Societies, Travel Officer, Public Relations Officer etc. will be discussed at the participatory meetings. I would like each



### **BOB IRWIN**

The SRC is in a sorry state indeed. No longer are its policies the main centre of attack, but the SRC itself, its structure, and its members are continuously being accused of all sorts of deficiences. Moreover, most of these criticisms are valid. It is true that the SRC is too separated from the student body. It is all too obvious that the SRC lacks any sort of imagination and fails to attract people whom the general body of students feel sure can be responsible yet dynamic. Throughout the University one finds students in responsible positions who inspire confidence and show vitality and energy. Yet these people steer clear of the SRC and so it gathers around itself a mediocre or fringe-level crowd.

These facts have to be faced, but they also have to be solved. I have set myself the task to help the SRC regain the confidence of the student body as a whole.

In the short term the SRC must involve more students. The committees of the SRC (e.g. Welfare, Activities, NUAUS, Publications) must be opened up to interested and competent students, outside the SRC. In fact, wherever the SRC doesn't contain a dynamic person for a particular job, then someone outside its ranks must be sought. The lack of contact between SRC and students can also be allevaited by members touring halls, speaking in the Union etc. more often, and this I shall do as President. I shall personally tell students what is going on.

More importantly is the necessity for a special committee along the lines of a senate select committee to be set up immediately to investigate what we want student government for anyway. this committee should hear views from all strata within the university community, but obviously, mainly from the students. Such a drastic measure is needed because of the validity of so many of the current criticisms of the SRC. I do not believe in pulling the structures down, for the sake of anarchy. But I will not hesitate to do whatever is considered necessary after some serious and logical thinking has been done on the matter.

As President there are other things to be done as well as the revitalisation of the SRC. These include:-

Giving students a real place on all bodies throughout the University which govern students. This is the substance of the present submission to University Council.

# voting

Voting will be on Wednesday to Friday, 7th - 9th May at the following places and times:

#### WEDNESDAY 7th May.

10.00 a.m.	0	11.00 a.m.	Union
12.00 noon	*	2.00 p.m.	Union
12.30 p.m.		1.30 p.m.	Bruce Hall
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Russell Miller Returning Officer.



**RESULTS OF THE ELECTIONS FOR THE 40th** STUDENTS' REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

**General Representatives:** 

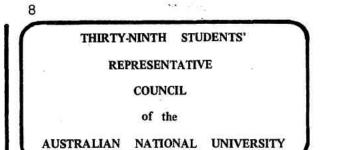
**Charles Alexander** Andrew Bain Alan Barrell

Arts Representatives:

Jennie De Lisle **Richard Donnelly Neill Francis** Anthea Green **Bob** Irwin Gerard Joseph

position to be open to every student. Fernaps these positions should be salaried positions. I have no strong views on NUAUS, amalgamation, fee rises etc. etc. All these matters will be discussed at these	2. Use to the full all the results of the survey on part- time students which was undertaken by the Institute of Advanced Studies and is now nearing completion. Since	1942 · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Richards sition VACANT
at these "mass-democracy" type meetings. I will initiate little policy other than take everything to participatory meetings.	I have been a part-timer and have been Part-Timers representative on the SRC I should be able to get on to this job very quickly.	Economics Representátives: John W	
I seriously doubt the feasibility of student government at ANU (under present circumstances). I'm far from convinced student government is a good thing, let alone	3. To set up Genesis. That is, to call on the co- operation of individual staff members (predominately in the Humanities) to allow students from other faculties	Michael	l Wright
necessary. If elected, I will probably take steps to dis- mantle student government at ANU if this is what the "mass-democracy" type meetings want, whether stated directly or implied by non-attendance.	to attend their classes. This gives students a chance to participate in a broader range of subjects. I am con- vinced that many students could gain great benefit from	Science Representatives: Nadine Richard	Hood I Moloney
The beauty of my scheme lies with the fact that the onus is on more than a few people to actually do things and in the fact that it may return a better short-term	attending parts of certain units that appeal to them yet can't afford the time or money to take them on as a whole units.	Anthon Part-Time Representative:	ny Seelaf
production result, and perhaps even a better long term production-result. My SRC would attempt to reach other students through	At least parts of subjects should be available to every student who wishes to attend, without payment of fees	Stepher	n Duckett
hall JCRC's, faculty societies and a cunningly clever Public Relations Officer. But in the final analysis, the decision to become involved is still with the individual	or sitting for examinations. We need to set up a co- operative learning process to break down many articial faculty and departmental structures, that only produce	O.S.S. Director Frank I	łoh
student. He will have to want to be reached. If he has	an unbalanced "educated" persons.		Russell Miller
no desire to be involved, that's fine with me. I am not interested in being President on terms other than those enunciated above and if I were to be elected,	There is a lot wrong with the $SRC - but$ something can be done. There are a lot of initiatives to be taken on this		Returning Officer
I would expect the SRC (and my electors) to support my policies. If not, I'd resign.	campus. I ask for your vote, a vote not for the status quo, but a vote for a reformed and responsible SRC.	Elections for the Presidency will 7 7th May to Friday 9	

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The Students' Representative Council of the Australian National University, believing;

- the University to be one entity composed of three separate and integral groups, the students, the academic staff and the administrative staff, and believing
- 2. that the University has the right to expect a valid and responsible contribution from each of those groups in creating and sustaining the quality of the academice life in it;

#### And while noting

3. that it is generally assumed that the students of this University have little to contribute to, and little interest in, the government of the University.

#### Is nevertheless of the opinion

- 4. that students, who have expressed an evergrowing concern about the future and government of this University are unable to accept the present position that only the academic and administrative staff are in a position to make any real contribution to the government of this University.
- The Students' Representative Council cites as evid-5. ence of this, increased questioning by students of the whole concept of the University and its role as an educational institution in society. Furthermore this concern and criticism has embraced in its scope the content and purposes of courses of study, the usefulness and validity of lectures, tutorials and examinations, and has culminated in demands for an increased share in the decision making processes which govern students in all aspects of their personal and academic lives. The Students' Representative Council believes that these demands are legitimate and are not attempts to grasp and wield power for the sake of so doing, but are motivated by a basic concern for democratic participation which cannot be assuaged by benevolent decisions, however well meaning those decisions may be.

The basic object of this submission is to assist in bringing the University back to the concepts on which all Universities were founded: that they should be entities within which the various components study and strive together in a spirit of community. With this in mind this submission is specifically directed towards the following spheres of University authority inter alia,

"... the management, good government and discipline of the University; ... the promotion and extension of University teaching; ... the fees to be paid for ... attendance at lectures classes; ... the establishment, management and control of libraries; ... the establishment or affiliation of residential colleges within the University; ... the control and investment of property of the University; ... "

(Australian National University Act, Sec. 27)

"... the introduction, alteration or cessation of courses of study or subjects; ... the syllabuses for such courses or subjects; ... the academic progress of students; ... time-table of lectures, classes and examinations ..."

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believes this method to be too intermittent and further to be too reliant upon the good will of sympathetic agents to ensure the regular voicing of students ideas and impressions, and to be too irresponsible in the sense of accountability, to provide an effective voice.

- 8. The second method of participation involves the establishment of semi-formal committees to act as regular and recognisable points of contact. The Students' Representative Council believes this method is also limited by lack of responsibility, but believes that supplemented by more formal contact it can be of great value.
- 9. The third method of participation involves the formal inclusion of students within the membership of the decision making bodies of the University. Such a system of participation permits full and responsible contact and allows the frank interchange of ideas between students, the academic and the administrative staff.

holding office for a two year period, on being elected each year.

WORONI, Wednesday, 7th May, 1969

#### Proposal 2

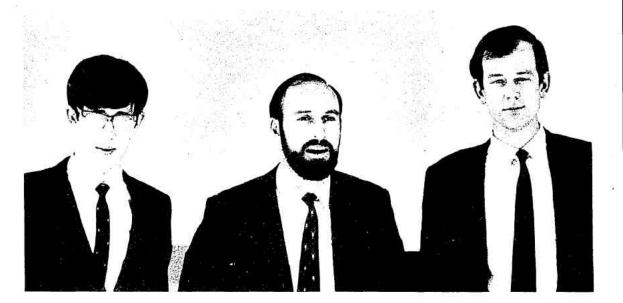
That one of the members of Council elected in accord with proposal 1(b) be a member of the Standing Committee of University Council, and that the other member of the Council elected in accord with that proposal be eligible for election to the Finance Committee of the Council.

#### Proposal 3

That no qualifications whatsoever should be required for eligibility to stand for election to University Council under proposal 1(b) other than the attainment of the age of eighteen years.

#### **Proposal 4**

That the membership of the Board of the School



Russell Miller, Alan Brooks and Chris Blaxland, put together the Submission.

#### The Students' Representative Council believes

10. that two difficulties purportedly arise in relation to student membership of University bodies. The first difficulty is associated with confidential information and the ability of students to be able to properly conduct themselves with such information.

The Students' Representative Council believes that students are able to conduct themselves responsibly and points to the successive Undergraduate Representatives on the University Council as examples of this responsibility. It entertains no fears that the individuals elected to these positions will act irresponsibly or abuse their positions.

The second difficulty relates to the areas of discussion to which students should be admitted. The Students' Representative Council firmly believes that there are no areas of discussion from which students should be excluded except in the case of personal advantage but believes that the standard and value of student contribution rather than the subject matter should determine whether or not student opinion is heard. of General Studies be increased to include two persons nominated by the Students' Representative Council in consultation with the faculty societies of the University, these persons to hold office for a period of one year.

#### Proposal 5

That the members of the Board of the School of General Studies holding office pursuant to proposal 4, should be eligible to serve on all or any of the committees of the Board.

#### Proposal 6

That any member of the Board of the School of General Studies or any other body within the University, holding office in accordance with these proposals, University Council only excepted, should suffer no disqualifications from attendance at meetings due to the discussion of any subject matter save only where his attendance at a meeting or any knowledge which he might obtain would be likely to give that member a distinct personal advantage in the further pursuit of his studies at the University.

(Faculties (School of General Studies) Statute, Sec 8 (1)).

### The Students' Representative Council believes

that the decisions which govern the University are taken within the Departments, the Faculties, the Board of the School of General Studies and the Council, and that it is of the essence of such a system that matters of general policy are determined at the higher levels, while specific questions concerning the applications of policy to specific instances, and the formulation of policy in certain specific areas are determined at a lower level. It follows, therefore, that each of these bodies will have some degree of automony.

The Students' Representative Council further believes that there are three methods by which students can participate in University government.

7. The first method of participation is rudimentary, and is based solely upon informal contact, thus permitting student opinions merely to filter into the system. The Students' Representative Council

### Holding these beliefs and opinions

the Students' Representative Council submits to the Council of the University that the students of the University should be included within the formal membership of the decision making bodies of the University and calls upon the Council to approve of the proposals set out below.

#### Proposal 1

That the number of members of the University Council be increased to include;

 a) the President of the Students' Representative Council, elected pursuant to the Constitution of the Australian National University Students' Association, to sit ex-officio,

#### and

b) two students of the University elected by the matriculated students of the University each

### Proposal 7

That subject to proposal 8 there should be established within each faculty a formal liaison committee consisting of:

at least a) one member of the academic staff of each department within the faculty concerned,

and

t:

b) an equal number of students, appointed by the relevant faculty society.

#### **Proposal 8**

That where within any faculty, the nature of the faculty, its size, and other considerations, have led to the relative automony of the departments within the faculty liaison committees need not necessarily be established at the faculty level, but rather at the departmental level to include at least, where size permits;

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a) the head of the department,

- b) at least two members of the lecturing staff,
- c) at least one member of the Junior staff,
- d) an equal number of students undertaking courses within the department.

## **Proposal 9**

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That notwithstanding proposal 8, liaison committees should be established with every department which has a departmental society made up in a manner similar to that listed in proposal 8.

#### Proposal 10

That when there is in existence a liaison committee either at the faculty or departmental level then at least one student should be included within the membership of the faculty or department concerned, holding office for one academic year; and nominated by the faculty society or the departmental society in conjunction with the appropriate liaison committee.

#### Proposal 11

That the membership of each faculty be increased to include one person nominated by the Students' Representative Council.

#### Proposal 12

That all student members of faculties of departments be eligible for committees of the faculties or departments respectively.

#### Proposal 13

That the students appointed pursuant to proposals 10 to 12 shall be students undertaking a course of study within that faculty or department.

The Students' Representative Council believes that the proposals contained herewith will bring a fundamental change in the character of this University. Although still small the Australian National University is expanding rapidly and already the problem and dangers of a growing bureaucracy are threatening the students and staff with the sense of their remoteness from the decision making process. The Students' Representative Council reiterates that it is above all concerned that students should be involved totally in the life of the University. It regards the fact to be self evident that a conscious sense of involvement can only exist with real, not token participation at all levels of the University administrative hierarchy. Furthermore the Students' Representative Council feels that at this important stage in the development of the University the opportunity for change should be seized now rather than left until a serious and possibly disruptive challenge to the existing structure is launched.

The Students' Representative Council urges the Council of the Australian National University to accede to these requests and join with it in accepting the words of the Vice-Chancellor:

# **COMMENTS:**

# **Chris Blaxland**

What is the importance of the SRC's submission to you?

Perhaps the best way to answer this is to ask some further question:

Have you ever sat in a lecture or tutorial and felt that its content, or the way it was presented was eroding your interest?

Has the sheer incompetence of a lecturer ever driven you mad with frustration?

Have you ever had suggestions for the alteration of your course which you have forgotten because you didn't know where to take them or who to see?

Have you ever had any grievances (or words of praise) about aspects of your course, which you would have like to tell to someone in charge of it?

If you can answer "yes" to one or more of these questions then this submission is of importance to you. It has been drawn up to rectify what many students on this campus regard as a growing problem: the lack of participation by students in the decision making process which affect their academic and personal life at this University.

It is based on the belief that students of all faculties are interested in contributing ideas on their courses in order to make them more interesting and relevant. In short it assumes that the educational process should be twoway between those who teach and those who learn.

At the moment it is all too obvious that University teaching is a process in which information, both verbal and written, is fed to a passive student who is expected to quietly absorb it like some form of intellectual amoeba. It is equally obvious that this process is not education in the full meaning of that word.

A truly educational institution is one in which those being educated have some control of and responsibility

It is the aim of the proposals to involve students fully

within the government of the University, to permit

them to put their thoughts and beliefs into the system

at all levels. In short the submission aims to make

students just one more part of the system. The authors

rejected notions of student majorities or even staff-

student majorities believing them to be ill conceived and, in the short term, impractical. The authors

similarly rejected notions of democracy believing that

time should be allowed to fix and determine questions

of responsibility to electorates just as it will determine

the quantitative factors of participation. The authors believed that their function was to provide a formal yet

effective means of contact between students, staff and

administration. It is up to those students who par-

While the authors believe that the proposals are prac-

tical and workable they are mindful of the fact that

even were they adopted tomorrow firstly there may be

a large number of vacant seats around Committee tables

ticipate to make the constractive contributions.

for the nature and quality of their education. The SRC document is an attempt to initiate and establish processes which will enable these aims to be realised. It deals with two types of participation of differing degrees of activity. The first is representative activity covered in Proposals 1 - 6. These ask for student representation on the committees and boards which formulate wide ranging policy that affects students. Student representatives would contribute to the decisions made here and keep the committees informed of student thought on particular topics. Generally the idea is to ensure that these committees do not make decisions in isolation but are fully informed of the student view.

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However Proposals 7 - 13 which concern the establishing of formal student-staff committees at the faculty and departmental level are perhaps the most important part of the submission. These are an attempt to provide an official focal point where students complaints, suggestions and ideas can be directly injected into the system.

The whole set of proposals working together provide a skeleton framework within which the student is recognised as an integral part of the University and not merely as an appendage. But it must not be thought that the SRC submission is a unviersal panacea or even attempts to be. It is rather a catalyst for change. It gives the student full opportunity to participate in all aspects of University government and the educational process - the onus is on him to grasp the opportunity.

Obviously formal committees cannot provide a full solution to the problems of this University. The ideal situation is one in which staff and students mingle freely and the formal committees wither away as they become redundant. However, before this situation can be reached the proposals in the submission will have to be put into operation. The submission is not a detailed blueprint for all time but hopefully the first step in the way of a transformation of this University.

> Chris Blaxland. Undergraduate Representative on Council.

Alan Brooks If, and only if, students have got valuable and constructive things to say, will the University change. The ball will be very much in the students' court.

> Perhaps the major consequence of the acceptance of it will radically affect student government and it will most certainly make or break the SRC. The degree of student involvement will be doubled and the work load, while spread more equitably, will undoubtedly increase for students participating within the structure. Brilliant administrators or ideal men don't often appear amongst university students and for most would be activists a lot of time must be spent preparing work and finding out information. In order to save time and increase information available student bodies will have to become more, rather than less bureaucratic. An ill-informed student will destroy his own credability and reduce that of his collegues. Those who simply wish to stir must realize there is no place for them in such a society. Students have a real place in University planning and progress but that position can never be better than the value of the contribution that goes towards it.

We will not be afraid of innovation and will, I believe, continue to contribute to a greater diversity in the Australian university structure and academic programmes. I prefer the risks of this course to the treater safety but probably less satisfying challenge of conformity to paths already established by others."

(The Australian National University: Its concepts and Role. An Address to the Convocation of the University of Melbourne. 29 March, 1968 P.22)

Submitted on behalf of the 39th Students' Representative Council by

Russell Miller President

Alan Brooks Immediate Past President.

Chris Blaxland. Undergraduate Representative on Council. and secondly no one should expect to see an entirely new and different University emerge. For some time, perhaps even for some years, there will be little change.

"....universities have the responsibility of recognising the concerns of our students, of listening to their complaints, and of taking into account their suggestions. We need not, and should not, turn over the administration of the institution to them. ....But undoubtedly we should give them more freedom to manage their own affairs and a greater voice in the determination of those policies and practices which directly affect their lives and welfare."

(Francis Horn - President, University of Rhode Island)

"....there are places in formal university government where student participation is valuable. It value arises simply from the detailed knowledge students have of questions in which they are deeply interested...."

(University of Toronto President's Report 1965-66)

# Alan Brooks.



"....there are strong reasons why the university as a community should encourage student involvement. The university depends....upon informed public opinion, which in its turn will take its direction from graduates of the university. The more these graduates know about the university, and the more they themselves have been involved in its problems, the more likely it is that they will speak with sympathy and conviction."

(University of Toronto President's Report 1965-66)

Despite widespread unrest on American campuses last year, little trouble appeared to arise on campus at UCLA. Time Magazine comments: "One reason for the calm is the tripartite University Policies Commission.... composed of students, teachers and administrators, the commission advises on the university's major policy decisions....

(Time 20/9/68)

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and DETAILS OF ACCOMMODATION AVAILABLE AT THE S.R.C. OFFICE

# BOCCHERINI

# ORCHESTRA

Composer George Dreyfus, during his ten-ure as a resident Creative Arts Fellow of the ANU, directed some of his undoubted energy towards propagating music as something to be enjoyed and something in which to be active. His illustrated talks were much concerned with the first point and the Boccherini Orchestra which he founded attempted to provide an outlet for those instrumentalists on campus who wished to be thus musically involved. Although operating informally and on an ad hoc basis the orchestra came to be recognised as a musical force in the University, giving a number of lunch-time

concerts during 1967 and 1968.

With the departure of Dreyfus from Canberra the future of the Boccherini Orchestra was very much in doubt, until a few enthusiasts were encouraged by the University to re-establish the orchestra, and on such a basis that would ensure continuity of the group. The University made a grant of \$150 which enabled the re-formed orchestra to buy music and music stands.

Unusually, the orchestra often performed without a conductor, the driving force



Two days after the Aboriginal Land Rights Vigil at Parliament House in mid-April, the Canberra Inter-Church Council held a public meeting which was address-ed by the Revd Frank Engel, Secretary of the Australian Council of Church's Division of Mission. In April, 1968, Engel delivered a paper at the Annual Conference of the Federal Council for the AdvIslanders, which was published jointly by the A.C.C. Division of Mission, Abschol, the NUAUS Aboriginal Affairs Department and the FCAATSI. The paper is entitled "Turning Land into Hope - To-wards a new Aboriginal Policy for Australia.

Engel traces the history of the various State and Federal Government's dealings

coming from within the ranks where George Dreyfus and his bassoon could invariably be found. At the farewell concert given by Dreyfus at the end of 1968, the Boccherini Orchestra impressed with a 'conductorless' performance of a J.C. Bach work.

The problem of musical direction was solved by the presence on-campus of Charles Gray, an expatriate English musician of wide professional experience in chamber and string orchestras, notably the Boyd Neel Orchestra, and for many years Principal Double Bass with the Sydney Symphony Orchestra and cond-uctor of an active string orchestra there.

This year string, wind and brass players have been rehearsing together under Charles Gray and just recently the orchestra gave a modest lunch-hour concert in the Union Building, featuring one item by the whole ensemble, one by a wind quintet and one by a string quartet. The performances on this occasion were encouraging enough for the orchestra to go ahead and plan another lunch-hour concert during the last week of first term.

possession in the name of white civilisation. In calling for a new policy Engel says, "It must be a policy of recognition and acceptance: recognition of the Aborigines as a people entitled to their own land, identity, culture and customs, and acceptance of them as a people with whom we share a common homeland and destiny." In a footnote he refers to "Acceptance: The Next Step Forward," a booklet expressing the new policy of the Australian Board of Missions adopted in October 1967. Their statement includes the following:

"Acceptance is what Aborigines feel they need.

On May 10 the orchestra is combining with the ANU Choral Society in a concert at University House. In addition it is proposed that at least three lunch-hour concerts be given during second term and hopefully an evening concert at one of the halls of residence.

The reality of an orchestral body operating on-campus has received support from many parts of the University. In a relatively short time it has proved a happy venture in joint staff/student participation and has provided a useful source of musicmaking within the University.

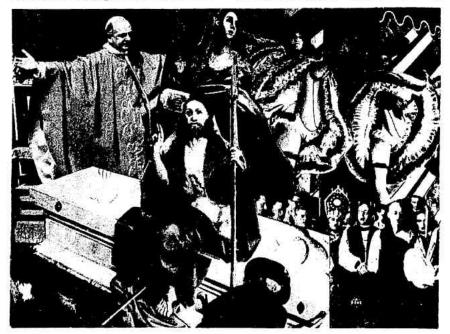
The active presence of at least two flourishing musical bodies on-campus will undoubtedly increase the need for proper facilities for better concert-giving within the University.

The Boccherini Orchestra at present numbers some 30 players and is interested in encouraging members of the University who are competent instrumentalists to join in its activities through the year. Those interested please contact David Walsh (internal phone 3452).

5. Establish, as an act of compensation for the loss of all other parts of the continent, a National Aborigines Trust Fund for the benefit and advancement of Aborigines.

At last month's meeting, Engel said that the implementation of such a policy would involve a change from a philosophy of assimilation to one of integration on the part of the Government and local authorities. Not only must there be rec-ognition of land rights, but also of Aborigines' capacity for responsibility, together with the right to participate in land trusts, decision-making and administration of law, education, housing and employment as they affect Aborigines.

ancement of Aborigines and Torres Strait with the aborigines. It is a story of dis-



"Acceptance - without a demand for These changes will only come if people alteration and conformity - is an idea which the European people in the community will need to accept."

It also states: "There is a promise of increase in numbers, a pluralism in our society seems unavoidable."

Engel goes on to say that a new policy should do at least five things:

1. Secure the Aborigines legal corporate title to all remaining reserves.

2. Provide them with technical services for the development of the land for farming or mining and the training of individuals as farmers or miners, or for the setting up of craft or light industries. 3. Provide them with the legal and financial advice necessary, if they should wish to lease their land to a pastoral or mining company.

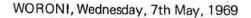
4. Provide for the people on the reserves forms and powers of local self-govern-ment, together with assistance in initiating and establishing them, wherever the people desire to take that step.

are prepared to confront members of Parliament and especially the Cabinet with the facts until the changes are implemented. The Federal Government can no longer say they are for State Government to implement; it has the power to force the States to act.

Copies of Frank Engel's paper are available from him at the Division of Mission Australian Council of Churches, 511 Kent street, Sydney, NSW 2000, or from the National Abschol Director, 52 Storey St. Parkville, Vic. 3052. Other important sources which space has forbidden me to deal with are A.Barrie Pittock's "Towards a Multi-Racial Society" (the 1969 James Backhouse Lecture obtainable from the Meeting Houses of the Religious Society of Friends or from the Secretary, Australian Yearly Meeting, 10 Latona St. Pym.ie, NSW 2073). The ACC has also issued a statement entitled "The Future of Aboriginal Missions."

-G.C.G.

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Franklin Boddy Jr.

The Sociology Department is the smallest department within the School of General Studies. The entire department is set up in one room where the one and only staff member Miss Daphne Phillips valiantly sits by one telephone. And yet despite the pioneering atmosphere that surrounds Daphne's work and Department, she can be consoled by the fact that she is probably the youngest head of any university department in Australia.

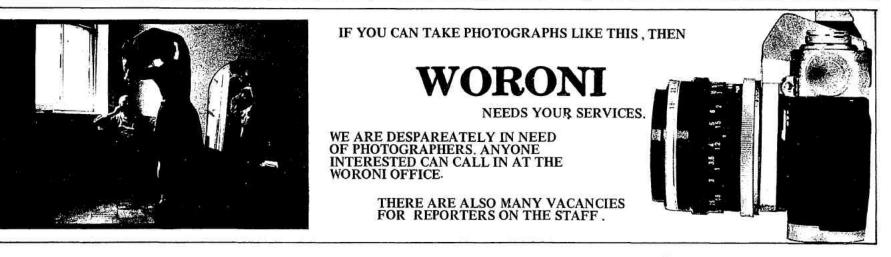
Miss Phillips gained her M.A. at Manchester University and then came to the A.N.U. in 1965 on a scholarship. She recalls way back in her wild student days in England that she was an activist in the true sense. As a member of the Labour Club she was appalled at all wars, particularly, she points out Britain's involvement in Suez. She has tasted wild London street rioting and played a major part in the heyday of ban the bomb and C.N.D. Daphne finds that on reflection, youthful idealism on peace although virtuous is far from reality and in a general sense impractical. Australian students rioting in the streets, she questions the genuinity of and thinks that they probably do it because it is the in thina.

Undeterred by her present barren surroundings, she sees that her big task now is to convince the bigshots that there is a demand for a Sociology Department on campus at ANU where undergraduates can take units as part of their course. Only graduate MA students can study sociology now, but with a professorship and lectureships offering in Sociology in the next triennium, students should be able to study sociology within the next few years.

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Her political views she admits are labour orientated, but she describes herself as an academic sociologist and not a politician. She sees sociology as one of the new and more exciting subjects and is anxious to sell it to undergraduates. It is "the study of the principles by which society is organised and covers all brackets of human endeavour". She sees its practical use with anyone wishing to work in politics, social work, race relations or any type of administration. At the moment Daphne is working at a Ph. D. on Italian Immigrants. Miss Phillips has firm ideas on the role that future sociology students will play in the Department of Sociology. She will be urging future staff to "pick the brains of the students and model a course beyond the predetermined interests". She sees students at the ANU as overwhelmingly middle class and hence well behaved, this being obviously a response to the conservative environment in which they live.





# HE EFFICIENT READING **OURSE^ Is it Worthwhile**

Courses in Efficient Reading run in Terms 1 and 2 over the last 4 years for Undergraduate students have yielded the following results. The figures are based on the performances of students who completed all 3 criterion tests during 1965, 1966, 1967, 1968

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Complete data on each student is needed 2. An increase in speed by 67% on the before any conclusions can be drawn about the effectiveness of the Reading Course. Although some 500 students enrolled for courses during these 4 years, only 219 of them completed the course as well as coming back for the 'HOLD test.

The following remarks refer to those

Hold test.

3. The increase in speed was obtained

without loss of comprehension.	The	sample of	219 students	was divided
Overall average results.	Table 1			
N = 219	W.P.M.	Con	np. Sc.	E. R.

It is believed that the fall-away of stud- into 2 groups on the basis of their compents between commencement of training rehension performance on the initial test. and the Hold Test is due in part, to disdisappointment as the following examination will show.

As the average comprehension, on entry, appointment in performance in the early of all students was 65%, students were part of training. This is a normal phenomenon and should not give rise to Scorers. Those who scored above 65% on Initial Test A were called High Scorers, those who scored below 65% were called Low Scorers. Students who scored 65% on Test A were distributed evenly between the two groups.

Thus, the comparative performances of the two groups is given in table 2.

It will be seen that the High Scorers on

#### students on whom there is complete data.

Of 3 Reading / Comprehension Tests known to be equated for difficulty, one is given at the commencement of training, another on completion, and the third or 'HOLD' test is given 3 to 6 months later. The mean average results for students who completed all '3 critereon tests are set out in the table.

It will be seen that there was:-

1. An increase in speed by 49% at the end of training.

## KEY TO TABLES

W.P.M. = words per minute at which test read.

Comp. Sc. = comprehension score on test expressed as a percentage.

E.R. = Effective Rate(W.P.M. x Comp.Sc.)

(Tests were given in the order A, C, B, and all figures quoted are rounded scores only).

Tests A and B	+67%	+1%	+68%
Tests A and C	+49%	-	+49%
Hold Test (Test B) % increase between	334	00%	220
	1000	66%	220
End of training (Test C)	298	65%	196
Before training (Test A)	200	65%	131

Comparison of High and Low Scorers on Test A, for performance on Tests C and B. Table 2

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'W.P.M	COMP.SC.	<u>E. R.</u>	W.P.M.	COMP.SC.	E. R.
206	76	157	193	53	103
306	71	218	290	59	171
344	69	239	324	62	199
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	W.P.M.	Comp.Sc.	E.R.	W.P.M.	Comp.Sc	E.R.
A and C	+49%	- 7%	+39%	+50%	+11%	+67%
A and B	+67%	- 9%	+52%	+68%	+16%	+94%

Test A continued to read faster and comprehend better on the end of training, and the hold test also.

However, their gains were not nearly as good as those of the Low Scorers as will be seen from Table 2

Table 2 indicates that :-

1. While High Scorers were able to increase their speed at end of training and on the Hold Tests, they achieved this partly by dropping in comprehension.

2. Low Scorers, on the other hand, not only increased their speed by amounts comparable with that of the High Scorers but they were also able to increase their comprehension by a considerable degree.

3. As a result of increase in both speed and comprehension on the part of Low Scorers, their overall gain in effectiveness was 94%, compared with 52% by the High Scorers.

From this analysis it will be seen that, on the whole, the Efficient Reading Courses have most to offer slow readers with low comprehension. However, gains may also be made by High Scorers.

Lyndon Rose.

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A play about a homosexual birthday party sounds like yet another opportunity for an exploitation of the sex boom, a chance to tell a lot of smutty jokes while saying "Look, aren't we candid and broad-minded nowadays!" But under the pen of Mart Crowley, it becomes an entertaining, funny and touching story of people affected by a human social reality, and in the hands of competent and sensitive actors it becomes an enjoyable and thought-provoking piece of theatre.

After playing for nearly seven months in Sydney, the performance is smooth and polished, but not slick and mechanical. Set and lighting achieve optimum effectiveness, and the actors make the most of their parts. "The band" know what they are and accept it. They are depicted, not as representatives of a type, but as individual people. There is a world of difference between Emory, "Like a butterfly on heat", and Harold with his bitter slashing sarcasm. There is a Jew and a Negro, a schoolteacher and a commercial artist, Michael who has an Oedipus complex and Donald whose mother taught him to be a failure. From the beginning we see the type of world they all live in, characterised by luxury, frequent trips to the psychoanalyst, constant



debt and scientific jargon. They can glibly attribute their present problems to their parents, "Walt and Evelyn who loved us too much." Everything indicates sophistication and intelligence - especially when compared with the cowboy, Emory's birthday present to Harold - and high pressure living. Their submerged tensions break to the surface when Michael introduces his party game, and challenges them all to call the one person they have ever loved and say "I love you."

Their facade of self-composure and even dignity crumbles. Some of them fail, some succeed, others look on in fascination and horror. Eventually it is Michael, the instigator of the game, who breaks down when he cannot force an admission of homosexuality out of his "straight" old college chum. The horror of himself which he has suppressed crushes him.

"The Boys in the Band" is not a social commentary but an investigation of a group of people who have one thing in common and of how they react to this common denominator and to each other. It is hard to classify such a play, which is too humorous to be simply psychological and too serious to be a comedy. Perhaps it is best to label it just "modern drama".

Sue Churchman.



Pacific (War-Peace-International Co-operation) Vol. 4, no. 1, Jan/Mar 1969. Published by Association for International co-operation and Disarmament, Sydney. Price: 40 cents. 24 pages.

To get a few things out of the way first. This is a rather thin, but well produced magazine, with a reasonably professional standard of sub-editing and presentation. It contains an editorial condemning chemical and biological warfare, articles on refugees in South Vietnam, the relationship between nationalism and communism in Asia, and a piece by Sir Mark Oliphant on the pros and cons of Australia signing the nuclear non-proliferation treaty. There is also a list of newspapers recently suspended in Saigon, some selected excerpts from Hansard, a very miscellaneous miscellany, and substantial reviews of 8 books on current or recent politics and international relations.

The standard of this is quite high, and the contributors are clearly far better equipped to deal with their subjects than I am to criticise on points of detail. Only a short final article on Australian foreign policy degenerates into emotive generalisations.

What interests me more is why all these themes should be lumped together - Vietnam, the Bomb, chemical and biological warfare, Australian politics, etc. The general direction is fairly obvious - opposition to the present government, particularly on foreign policy matters, and protest against increasingly efficient ways of killing people, particularly civilians, in war. However there is little trace of opposition to war as such. I am still rather unsure whether the name, Pacific, refers to an area of the world's surface or a state of mind. In fact, neither meaning fits the contents very precisely.

These two threads of political and humanitarian protest have become so woven together by the current professional protesters that a magazine like this can easily be fitted into a convenient pigeon-hole - vaguely left wing, radical, idealistic, fairly obviously intellectual. No doubt there would be some who would dismiss it as the work of commos and mis-guided fellow travellers, but judging by the editor's plea for more financial support, the publishers do not seem to be a front group. Even if they were, I doubt whether it would make much difference. Australian communists (both varieties) are surely just about as anachronistic as their French counter-parts have been shown to be (though not nearly so powerful), and they could well be deluded into putting up good money for serious people to publish on contemporary problems.

Still the fusion of the "peace and disarmament" line with the less idealistic "lets pick our Asian friends more carefully" line is getting a bit thin. What will happen to the former when the second is cleared up rather more sensibly than at present - and perhaps that's not so far away.

I hope I have said enough to encourage all the dedicated protesters to go out and buy a copy, or better still send an annual sub (\$1.50) to Box 247, P.O. Haymarket, NSW 2000. They could do a lot worse in the search for reassuring pabulum. It might even be that some would get around to asking difficult questions, e.g. "Could Jim Cairns or Gordon Bryant as Prime Minister really do anything but a Harold Wilson?" or "To what extent does legitimate national interest dictate the means of effective action?"

Equally however, this magazine can be recommended to those who wonder what all the noise is about. They might discover some new territory by following paths previously unexplored. The pity of it is that this usually has to be done literally - say, a trip to Hanoi. Still there's an old saying about those who believe without seeing for themselves. FREE FORM. Joe Harriott, one of the most progressive jazz musicians in Europe has recorded 'Free Form' on Jazzland JLP 49. With fellow west-Indians, "Shake" Keane (trumpet) and Coleridge Goode (bass), Joe Harriott on alto plays the best collection of free form jazz I have ever heard commercially recorded. One usually has to go to musicians clubs to find free form of this calibre. Pat Smythe (piano) and Phil Seamen (drums) comprise the rest of the quintet.

Harriott was once asked what he meant by free form. He replied, "If there can be abstract painting, why not abstract music?". It's worth noting, that while the music is written without bar lines, a consistent basic four is kept throughout.

The blending of individual soloists to free form is one of the most difficult things to do successfully in jazz. The only way it can be done is by the musicians playing together as much as possible so that a complete awareness grows to an accurate anticipation of the soloists tempo and harmony shifts.

Harriott aimed at creating sounds, moods, effects and textures in music and failed to achieve none of these. Another of Harriott's daring steps in jazz has been a twice successful blending of Indian and European music. Two LP's, "Indo-Jazz Suite" and "Indo-Jazz Fusions" will illustrate this musicians versatility. Harriott has been an important step forward in the writing of modern jazz, and I recommend all these discs without reservations.



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But satisfied.





The ANU Choral Scoiety (SCUNA) and the Boccherini Orchestra will present a concert in May which contains some unusual but extremely interesting music. The Morike Lieder, by Hugo Distler (1908-1942) are short settings of poems by the nineteenth century Romantic poet Eduard Morike. Distler was a German organist and choral composer whose work is popular and widely known in his native land, but little heard outside that country. His style skillfully combines medieval melodic and rhythmic writing with twentieth century angular dissonances imperceptibly glossed over to produce an immediately attractive folk song style.



James Bond on Campus

It is hoped later this year to make a short (about 20 minutes) film called The Man from ASJO.

The film will run through the standard Bond formatinterview with M, adventures in the field (and in the clover) capture by the enemy, escape and destruction of the enemy organization. However the 'field' in this case will be the ANU campus, Bond's mission will be to stamp out immorality, and all situations will be slightly twisted from the 007 norm.

One of the highlights is expected to be the inevitable karate sequence performed to waltz music.

Mark O'Connor who is at present working on the script would like to hear from anyone interested in taking part. Camera men, loiny ladies, brutal thugs, mad scientists, and a male lead will be required.

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C. C. Macknight. Nudes are the good word in the theatre today This is scene from an American Production of Dr. Faustus

In his Mass for Four Voices, Monteverdi(1576-1643) breaks from the rich daring harmonies of his madrigals to write in a more compressed and restrained style. The work is extremely consistent, being based on an unusual descending harmonic progression and chromatic solo melodic line, while subtle changes in mood portray the different sections of the mass to produce a beautifully balanced work.

The Brazilian Psalm, by the modern Frenchman Jean Berger, makes abundant use of Latin American rhythms and harmonies. The opening section with clashes of unrelated major triads gives way to a dark mysterious melodic section while the finale is a Latin American improvisation with jazz-style syncopation to the word Alleluia.

Other works to be performed are the Te Deum and the duet Ode on the Death of Queen Mary, by Purcell, and the Overture Los Esclavos Felicos by the early nineteenth Spanish composer de Arriage. The concert takes place on Tuesday 13th May at 8.15 p.m. in the University House Dining Hall. Admission by programme tickets for which may be obtained from the Union Shop (\$1.00 stud. conc).



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ANU revue in 1969 is UPADAISY. This incredibly brilliant once-a-year happening is about to burst once more onto the campus.

Funnily enough, revue, which is the main money spinner on campus in the theatre world and which virtually supports all other cultural activities for the rest of the year on its profits, has never attracted as large an audience as one might expect. Apparently this is because students never get around to booking tickets until the last few days and find that the revue is booked out. So a word of warning — book now. Student concessions are available from the Union shop.

Revues over the last few years have been of a very high standard using all local talent, from acting to scripting to musical composition. Probably becuase of this the ANU revue remains one of the few university revues left in Australia and it does not look like fading out for a long time yet. A continual change in format and style and original material has kept the revue at a high peak.

UPADAISY is to be produced by Jon Stephens, who after many years associated with the revue as an actor and scriptwriter has taken over from Anne Godfrey-Smith whose series of revue productions have done so much to establish the present reputation of the revue.

Once heavily dominated by political satire, revue has drifted away from this type of script (mainly because Australian politics has become a satire and caricature in itself) into more of the straight out whimsy and part slap-stick which characterise shows like AT LAST THE 1948 SHOW and also into musical satire assisted no end by the ingenious inventiveness of musical director Martin Ward.

UPADAISY features a solid whack of musical numbers from the MGM 1940 musical opening to the slapstick spectacular which would make Tchaikovsky turn in his grave to the frenetic sound of WIG which closes the show.

The cast mainly consists of newcomers to the revue stage, a group that Producer Stephens describes as "very talented and very keen" and several oldtimers to whom, of course, the above quote applies. Revue requires a lot of an actor, acting, comedy, dancing, singing and a strong dose of multi-vitamin capsules. The cast is fairly big this year numbering sixteen members, in a valiant effort by the producer to stop the size of the orchestra expanding and taking over everything. Cast members include Ros Delaney, Kate O'Brien, Clive Scollay, Vashiti Waterhouse, Verona Burgess, Dick Simpson, Allen Mawer, Scott Roberts, Moira Scollay, Bruce Widdop, Steve Jones, Penny Chapman, Alison Richard, Karin Altmann, Mike Light and Malcolm Wild.

The revue is staged on a novel and interesting set designed by Ross Henty featuring, you guessed it, daisies, which has been arranged to allow for very swift movement of scripts which are shorter and more this year than in previous years. The costuming of UPADAISY features once again basic costumes which are added to for special effects. So when you go be prepared to use your imagination just a bit. Blokes are in stunning mod gear and the birds are just stunning.

So all in all UPADAISY promises to be yet another great night of entertainment and humour. Producer Stephens says so and Assistant Producer (Aspro) Engledon backs him up. So don't delay, rush today and buy your flaming tickets.















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# attackers attacked

#### Dear Sir,

The fact that Garran Hall is known in some circles as 'the prison' has very little to do with its undeniably oppressive architectural features.

Rather it refers to the stiflingly self-righteous conservatism which permeates the Garran student body, and which so unashamedly paraded itself in these columns last week.

Allow me to illustrate my criticism by reference to several points raised by your correspondents.

The issue concerned the suggestion, from an outsider, that the Hall should invite a volunteer worker just returned from Vietnam to speak in the common room after dinner.

The Chairman of the Garran Junior Common Room (Mr Peter Bundesen) is alleged to have said that he felt it preferable that the man be allowed to speak of his experiences in Vietnam, only if the talk formed part of a series on various political issues.

The implication of this attitude is that a point of view should be expressed only if it is done so within a framework in which all points of view are expressed. Within such a framework the views of particular speakers are solicited then, not because of their intrinsic importance, but in order to maintain a balance. It is only fair, runs the argument, that if a viewpoint is expressed, its contrary should also be given a hearing.

But whatever a speaker says under these circumstances is subtly discredited. We listen not because what he says is worthwhile, but because it is our duty. He rightly feels that it matters little to his audience whether he talks sense or nonsense. He is there only because it is his right - he is there as an expression of our adherence to the principle of fair play.

Clearly then Mr Bundesen's comment is an admirable indication of the don't - rock - the - boat attitude of Garran.

The attitude is stated more explicitly by Garran residents Ken Phillis and Sue Withers. Says Mr Phillis: 'I suggest that perhaps the reason that Garran students do not want a long line of speakers in their Common Room is that they seek some refuge from the continual bitching and rebellion that characterises Woroni from cover to cover and to which they can help themselves in any number of meetings on Vietnam and countless other topics all over the University.'

And back across the intellectual void comes an echo from Miss Withers; 'May the Garran Common Room long continue its after dinner serenity.'

Obviously matters of importance must not be allowed to impinge on this isolated little community.

'Besides,' Miss Withers points out, 'as most of us sporty Garranites can walk a couple of hundred yards, the Union is quite close enough for any speaker we might individually chose to hear'.

The fact is that most 'sporty Garranites' as Miss Withers calls them with unconscious irony, arc seldom seen at the Union simply because they chose not to hear.

One can scarcely imagine the righteous indignation that will be aroused in the minds of many Garran residents when the suggestion is canvassed later this year that student actually trying to evade conscription should be given succour and protection from the police, within the halls of residence.

Yours faithfully, Andrew Hopkin.

# nuaus has the answers

Dear Editor,

I was most interested to read the interview by Franklin Boddy on Professor Johns. (Woroni April 11 1969.)

It was suggested at the end of the article that an exchange scheme to Indonesia would be popular with students. At present NUAUS has arranged a scheme to Indonesia leaving Sydney on December 21 with return dates on January 31 1970 and February 28 1970. The cost of return flight is only \$328.00 which is a substantial reduction of the usual fare. Application form and details are available at the SRC Office. The NUAUS scheme offers 'extras' such as orientation, handbooks and 'homestays' to participants.

In 1968 approximately 35 Australian students took advantage of the scheme. NUAUS has received delegations of Indonesian students, however, we have found that problems of finance make it difficult to arrange for a strict exchange scheme.

I hope that as many ANU students as possible will take advantage of the NUAUS Travel Schemes.

Yours Sincerely,

Dany Humphries, National Travel Promotions

National Travel Promotions Officer, NUAUS.

# John xxiii revisited

Dear Editor,

One of the major problems faced by any club or society in this university is finding effective avenues of communication with that mercurial being the Student Body.

In the case of hall-dwellers the film group has circulars distributed to individual doors and is reasonably effective. A student finding a circular on his door will almost certainly, out of sheer curiosity, read at least the heading to see what it is about. Depending on the interest aroused by this heading he will then read on or consign the circular to his wastepaper basket.

For this reason the film group is dissappointed by the attitude taken in John XXIII, as set out by Mr Bills' letter (Woroni 29-4-69). Mr Bills' defence of the banning of pamphlet distribution in John's is based on an outbreak of petty theft and the need for privacy and tidiness.

I, personally am mortified by the implication that circular distributors are suspected of petty theft. However we would be quite happy to arrange for members of John's (who are apparently above suspicion) to distribute film group propaganda.

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I suppose that, to some extent, putting circulars on peoples' doors is an invasion of privacy. The question really is: WHAT DO THE PEOPLE WANT? Do they prefer privacy or information? Certainly we have received more complaints from members of John's who have not received our circulars than from members of

The problem of tidiness has not occured in any of the other halls. It is probably more acute in John's because of the number of vacant rooms. It should not, however, be difficult to enable distributors to distinguish between occupied and unoccupied rooms.

Garran, say, who have had their

privacy intruded.

I would like to stress that the film group has been taking advantage of the official 'alternative'. Members of the college assure me that it is not particularly effective.

Finally it is worth noting that, in the last fortnight at least two circulars have been (presumably illegally) distributed in John XXIII. This underlines the fact that the ruling is not only undesirable but also unenforceable.

Yours Sincerely, Paul Pentony,

Vice-President, ANU Film Group.

# what a silly place to build a road

#### Dear Sir,

By the usual devious means through which one learns of decisions taken for one's betterment by the ANU, it has come to my attention that a large driveway is shortly to be constructed leading from Daley Road across the lawn in front of Garran Hall up to the front door of the two halls' central block and then back across the lawn in front of Burton Hall to Daley Road. There has been a certain amount of consultation with the J.C.R. committees of the two halls, with mixed results since Garran approved of the scheme in the hope, perhaps quite unfounded, of providing several more parking spaces after the closure of Daley Road to parking, whereas the Burton committee passed a resolution condemning the

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scheme. Such consultation is admirable, whatever its results.

Now that the scheme is to go ahead, perhaps I will be allowed the luxury of expressing a totally unsolicited opinion. Such a solution to the problems in the area is unnecessary, extravagant and opposed to the interests of the residents of both halls.

This is not the place to argue matters of planning detail, but having the temerity to assume that I possess the relevant technical information, I would suggest that it is possible to evolve a scheme to bring supplies as close as possible to the central block store, to provide some loading space when required and to allow parking for selected VIP's, that does not involve replacing so much green grass with duco and bitumen, and means introducing yet more noise into an already far from quiet area. (After all, the location of most of the cables and pipes under the lawn is no secret, since we have seen them installed one by one and the trenches dug for several are still plain to the eye.) No doubt some such considerations were in the mind of the Site Planner when he drew up the very sensible design for this immediate area of the campus in his draft report. He must be getting into practice at undoing the work of those who fail to perceive in advance the disastrous practical and aesthetic consequences of certain specious schemes.

Yours etc.,

C.C. Macknight Burton Hall.



UNION NOTICE

### NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS

After calling for nominations in accordance with Section 16, sub-section (1) and (2) of the constitution to close at 5 p.m. on Friday, 11th April, 1969, for the one elective seat to be filled on the Union Board of Management, three nominations were received.

By-elections were held on 30th April, 1st May and 2nd May. As a result of these elections I hereby declare

#### MISS PENNY CHAPMAN

Elected to the Union Board of Management to hold office, subject to the constitution, from Monday 5th May, 1969 until the remainder of the term of office of the person in whose place she was elected - this being Miss Jane Chapman in this case - whose term of office would have terminated at the first meeting of the Board following the Annual General Elections to be held late in the second term.

E. C. de Totth Secretary of the Union. Returning Officer.

Due to the fact that Mr David Solomon will be absent from Canberra for two weeks on business, and the fact that Mr Richard Refshauge is in hospital after a serious car crash, the Executive of the Union Board has appointed Mr Jock Rankin to serve as Acting Chairman until Mr Solomon's

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# UNION CHANGES

The Union Development Committee and the Union Board will shortly be considering detailed planning for the proposed new Union Building.

If the Australian Universities' Commission agrees, the new Union will be built to the North of University Avenue from the Haydon-Allen building up to and over Sullivan's Creek. It would have approximately twice the floor space of the existing building and would be completed in 1971 or 1972

The Board is anxious that all Union members should have an opportunity of putting forward views about the new building at a time when they could still affect the style and content of the new building.

Members who have any ideas or suggestions, either about faults in the present building which should be rectified in our new building, or proposals for new services or facilities, are requested to write a note of their suggestions to the Secretary for consderation by the Development Committee.

> D. H. Solomon Chairman, Union Board of Management.

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# SPORT

If you have any feeling for or interest in sport you should view this page with horror. The lack of interest by clubs in publicizing their activities past or future is amazing. Clubs complain about lack of interest, teams are fielded with only the minimum number of players, yet secretaries and public realtions officers do nothing to alleviate the situation.

Used effectively the Sports page can create interest as well as keeping those who are already keen well-informed. Use Woroni for club propaganda. Use it to get supporters for your fixtures or regattas or carnivals. Don't have to be scraping for players to take to intervarsities - get them interested now and train them early.

This can all be helped by Woroni publicity. Space is always available and copy should be handed in to the Sports Union.

# ATHLETICS-AN EASY /AY TO GET TO I.V.

The local competition in track and field athletics extends from about the third term exams to the start of first term, and this has the unfortunate effect that few students can take part.

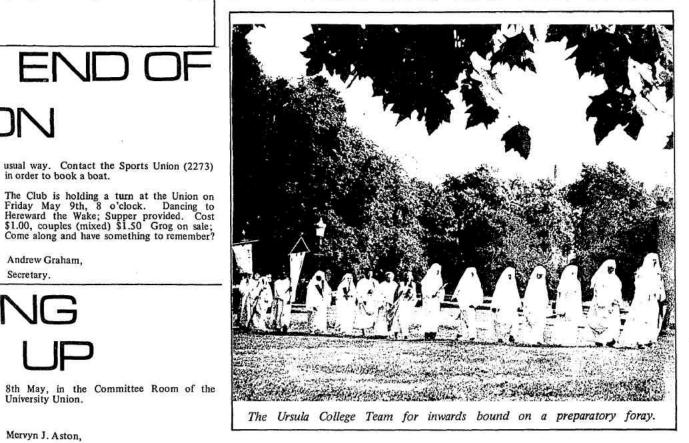
However, a few keen ones persevere and are rewarded by a trip to Intervarsity where they are usually outclassed by Olympians such as Gary Eddy and Phil King of Melbourne, and other national champions. Nevertheless our other national champions. Nevertheless our team this year is the strongest ever and even has the chance to secure a place or two in the tough competition. The giant Finn, Olavi Koivukangas, has been hurling the discus past 150 ft and the shot past 50 ft, and may well inspire the rest of the team to mighty efforts. Anyone who feels his (or her) athletic ability is condermuch to instifue a contracted meth in is good enough to justify a great social week in Hobart in the May vac. should contact Tony

WG that is

Weir (Garran Hall), the chief selector.

Meanwhile, those others who either can run a 4-minute mile but are unavailable for I/V or who can't run one but would like to get fit are who can't run one but would like to get fit are Welcome in the local cross-country competition. This is held at 3 pm every Saturday afternoon at the Stromlo forest - follow the lake road from the University to the start of the pine forest, and look there for a collection of tracked-suited nuts. Those who would like a few organised runs during the week should contact Jack Pennington (an old red-headed bloke) at North Oval any evening after work.

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# SAILING- FR

The racing season ended on April 27th with the usual way. Contact the Sports Union (2273) Anzac weekend sailing. There is no more orga-nised racing until next September. We now have to repair and repaint the Club boats for next season. Volunteers are asked for to help with maintenance next term. The sharpies are not being sailed again this season and are being laft to dry out until the May vacation when work will start on them.

A.S.H.

Andrew Graham, The Herons are available for sailing until the end of term and they may be booked out in the Secretary.



The Table Tennis Club appears to have lost its Committee due to people moving from Can-berra. Consequently, the Club is, at present, non operative.

There will be a meeting of all club members and other interested people at 7 p.m.Thursday,

8th May, in the Committee Room of the University Union.

Mervyn J. Aston, Hon. Secretary.

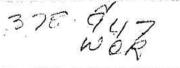
in order to book a boat.

# **GO UPADAISY in a** ANU SWEATSHIRT



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'Blast these dark -glasses! What man in the sky?'

## The Three Bears

Brooksybear, Blaxybear and Russybear it up into shreds! all came back to the SRC Office from

submission, and Russybear said: who's been reading my submission and ripped

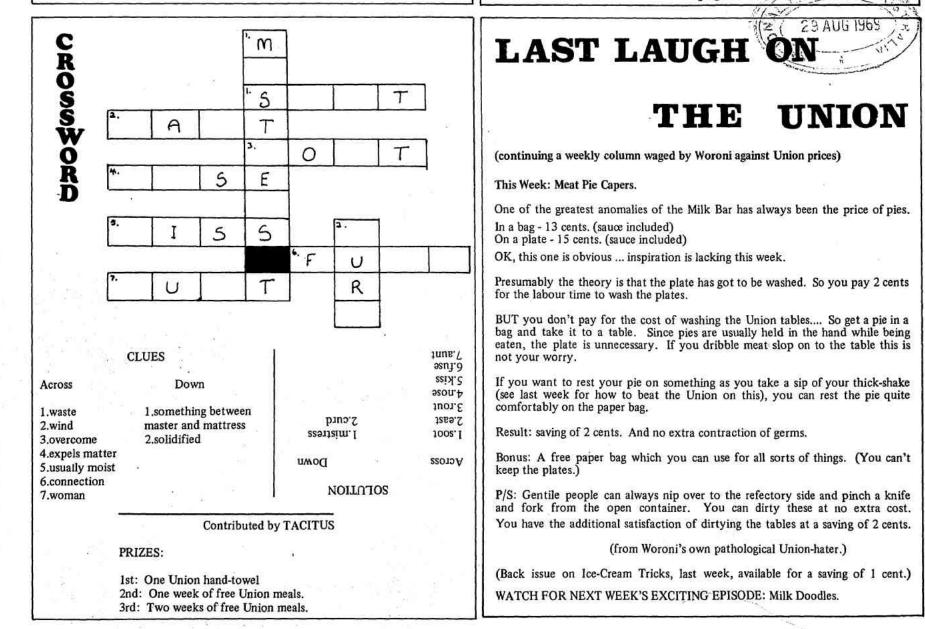
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a walk on the campus. Brooksybear But just then the three bears looked up said: who's been reading my submission, and saw Colmanlocks skipping away ac-Blaxybear said: who's been reading my ross the library lawn.

IF YOU ARE DUE TO REGISTER FOR NATIONAL SERVICE IN THE NEXT BALLOT AND IF YOU HAVE ANY DOUBTS AT ALL ABOUT CONSCRIP-TION, VIETNAM, CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTION OR ANYTHING ELSE

> COME TO A MEETING IN THE MEETINGS ROOM, UNION BUILDING THIS THURSDAY, 8th May at 8pm grog will be served BFM





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## THE SUBMISSION

The question of Student Participation was handed back to the Faculties by the Board of the School of General Studies for discussion and comment and the Board meets on May 26 to discuss the matter. Council last Friday set up a sub-committee last Friday to sit over the vacation and consider the recommendations by the SRC and the Board and it is hoped that a decision will be reached by July. How's that for action!

# TERTIARY EDUCATION SEMINAR

In August, NUAUS are co-sponsoring a National Seminar on Planning in Tertiary Education with the University of New England. This conference has been arranged so that policy makers in government, education and industry can get together to study the complete elements both in society and in the education organizations which shape higher-education and which, in turn, are shaped by it. Some issues affecting the realtionship between institutions and between governments regarding the formulation of educational policies and the allocation of resources will be explored in the light of the principles of forward planning.

During the six days (11th-16th) of the conference, attention will be directed by at least five overseas experts as well as many Australian authorities though discussion and planning exercises to five broad topics:

Australian needs and the role of higher education in fulfilling those needs.

National and State Policies on higher education.

Planning and the economics of higher education.

Policy determination and government within educational institutions.

The conference will be fully residential. The concession rate for students nominated by the NUAUS is \$60.00 and as there are only six places available to Australian university students the SRC may be prevailed upon if a candidate were to receive such a nomination. Please leave nomination at the SRC office by Friday 16 May.

## COMMITTEE OF CONSCIENCE AT A.N.U.

A Committee of Conscience on Conscription has been established at the ANU. At our inaugural meeting held last Thursday evening which 30 people attended, of which 7 stated they were considering not registering for National Service in the next ballot.

Regular meetings of the Committee of Conscience will be held every Thursday evening at 8 pm in the Union, and all persons interested in issues of conscientious objections; non-registration; the war in Vietnam and conscription are invited to attend.

The Committee of Conscience has been established specifically to meet the needs of those wishing to oppose the National Service Act, and those with any doubts or need of information on the broad issue of Conscription; and the Vietnam war; and will assist in any action taken on these matters in the form of advice and aid.

## A.N.U. CAMPUS - A SANCTUARY?

Moved: Liese Baker Seconded: Ian McDougall.

"That the ANU Students' Association recognise this campus as a sanctuary for young men wishing to evade conscription and that the Association provide:

(a) Some form of accomodation on campus, and
 (b) As far as possible, physical protection from possible police action.

and that this matter be put to a referendum by postal ballot of the ANU Students' Association and that the ballot paper carry a statement that the referendum is not binding."

#### CARRIED.

This motion was passed on Tuesday night at the Annual General Meeting of the Students' Association. You will be asked at the beginning of second term whether you agree to it or not. The referendum will be by postal ballot.

## A.G.M. - NEW PRESIDENT & S.R.C.

At last night's AGM of the ANU Students' Association the Returning Officer, Russell Miller, declared the poll of the recent Presidential By-Election. Bob Irwin (446 votes) was declared President of the 40th Students' Representative Council, Gregg Landy (97 votes) was the unsuccessful candidate.

## HEART APPEAL

The correspondance of a recent Welfare Committee meeting recorded a letter from B.L.Murray, Hon. Regional Director for Lyneham-O'Connor A.C.T. Civil

Appeal Committee stating his need for 170 collectors and over 1700 for the whole ACT. Each collector will be asked to call on a specified group of 20 houses between 12 noon and 2 pm on the day of Sunday, 22nd of June, the day of the appeal. Participation in this house-to-house door knock is recommended to all students. Please contact Mr Murray at 64 Dryandra Street, O'Connor, ACT.

## TYPING CLASSES

The SRC has decided to organize typing classes in second term for anyone who is interested. Time: 7 - 8 pm Tuesday and Thursday. Place: Haydon Allen Building. Cost: \$3.00 for the whole term. Entry Forms: At SRC office, Union Building. Equipment: Your own typewriter and paper. First Meeting: Tuesday night 7 pm, Haydon Allen Room 3, June 10th. The 40th Students' Representative Council meeting immediately after the AGM elected the following as its officebearers:

EXECUTIVE:

President: Vice-President: Secretary: Treasurer: NUAUS Secretary:

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Director of Club and Societies: Director of Student Publications: Education Officer: Welfare Officer: Public Relations Officer: Activities Officer: Travel Officer: Property Officer: Notice Board Director: Assistant NUAUS Secretary: Bob Irwin Michael Wright Anthea Green John Wilson Nadine Hood.

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Steve Lonegan Charles Alexander Neil Francis Alison Richards.

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